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## SEN. JACOBS ANNOUNCES \$1.748 IN FARMINGTON HILLS ROAD PROJECTS

Jobs Today Transportation Investment to fund up to 25 percent

LANSING—The first round of road projects in Governor Jennifer M. Granholm's *Jobs Today* transportation investment program became a reality today as matching grants to local communities from the Michigan Department of Transportation were announced this morning. State Senator Gilda Z. Jacobs (D-Huntington Woods) announced that Farmington Hills will receive a \$317, 675 *Jobs Today* match toward the projects.

"I'm tremendously pleased with the continuing progress of Gov. Granholm's *Jobs Today* Initiative," Sen. Gilda Z. Jacobs said. "These road improvements are critical to our transportation infrastructure and vital to our job creation efforts."

The Farmington Hills projects include road resurfacing of existing asphalt on Halstead from Grand River to 11 Mile along with some curb replacement, paved shoulders, and fill-in of two pavement gaps; and resurfacing of Nine Mile Road from west of Tuck to Middlebelt Road. This project also includes elimination of a lane offset at an intersection, widening all travel lanes to 12 feet and paving of gravel shoulders and replacement of damaged curb & gutters.

In May, the House and Senate approved a measure to designate \$80 million in the state's supplemental transportation budget to help county road commissions and local governments meet federal match funding requirements for federal transportation grants. The money will make the state eligible to receive \$320 million in federal funds earmarked for Michigan.

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State Senator Gilda Jacobs represents the 14<sup>th</sup> Senate District, which includes Farmington, Farmington Hills, Ferndale, Hazel Park, Huntington Woods, Lathrup Village, Oak Park, Pleasant Ridge, Royal Oak Township, and Southfield. She is the Minority Vice Chair of the Families & Human Services Committee and the Economic Development, Small Business & Regulatory Reform Committee. She also serves on the Government Operations and Health Policy Committees